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The extracts which we copy in another column, from an article in the Richmond Enquirer, on the President's Message, will arrest attention. Who would have thought, but a short time ago, that the suggestions and recommendations, the opinions and policy, of the elected "representative" of the Democracy of the nation, would be repudiated, as they are, by the veteran organ of the Democracy of Virginia! And the Ecquirer is not content with placing its velo upon the President's policy, but it calls upon Senator Hanter and Mr. Letcher to come out at once and take position by its side, in opposition to the "heresies" of the President. Certainly, if the leaders of the Demouracy themselves, those who assisted to place Mr. Buchanan in power, are permitted to reject and oppose his recommendations, it cannot be complained of, that those who had no part nor lot in the election of Mr. Buchanan to the post which he occupies, and who predicted that before his term was over, some of his warmest friends would turn to be his opponeuts, should now refuse to acquiesce in his plans and purposes, and continue in their opposition to his administration-an opposition which, as yet, with a portion of them, at least, has never been as bitter or determined as that expressed by some who declared that the country could only be saved by placing him at the head of the government!

The Washington States says that there is no "mystery" in the retention of Secretary Cobb, in the Cabinet, since a development of the difference of opinion between him and the President, on the Tariff issue, because "by the constitution of his office the Secretary of the Treasury is independent of the President, and is responsible only to Congress for journal-, generally, speak of brighter prosthe statements and suggestions of his report, and moreover, Mr. Buchanan propounds the principle of specific duties, rather as a personal opinion than as an official recommendation." We would ask if this was the Jackson Democratic theory, when Mr. Duane was dismissed because he would not remove the Deposits, as ordered by Gen. Jackson-and how can the suggestions of the President in his message be arranged in two classe -- personal opinions and special recommendations? In the Jackson days Secretary Cobb would have been made to "walk the plank" in four and twenty-hours after be had sent in his Report, another Secretary thinking like the President, would have been appointed, and the whole Democracy would have said-"it is right." Times have changed--in this respect, we think, for the better.

The Richmond Enquirer is advocating the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad, as a saving of time in the travel to New York, &c. We cannot agree with the reasoning of the Enquirer, nor adopt its policy of thus attempting to "cut off" the Orange and Alexandria extension. That is a great work, worth a vast deal to the State of Virginia and to its intercets in Internal Improvements, nor can it Clemens, auther of Mustang Gray, is writing be injurious to other lines in which the State a new novel to be called The Rivals, a Tale is concerned. Why should the State of Virginia be concerned in rushing passengers out of its boundaries to Baltimore, across the river at Aquia creek? If the people of Maryland choose to make a Railroad to a point opposite Aquia Creek, we have nothing to say-it is their affair, not ours. We see, in this project, as far as Virginia is concerned, or its leading railroads, or its cities and towns, nothing beneficial -and, therefore, nothing which should induce it or its citizens in general, to take part in the matter. We may have more to say on this subject hereafter.

The Richmond Whig thinks it is too late, and too inconvenient, to get up a Convention to nominate a Whig State Ticket in our State, especially as all are willing to acquicece in the nomination of any three reliable men of ability, who may be placed before the people as the opposition candidates, and, it therefore proposes, "that as many of our friends from each of the counties and cities as may choose to do so, meet the Central Committee in Richmond city on Thursday, the 6th of January and there and then frame a suitable ticket." The suggestion appears ta us to be a good one, and will save time and expense.

Amongst the distinguishing features of the late Democratic Convention in this city, if not its most distinguishing feature, was the anti-Wise spirit by which it was actuated --It required no very keen perception to discern tout the prostration of Henry A. Wise and his political friends in the common wealth was a leading, if not an especial object .- Petershurg Int.

Of one thing we are sure-and that is, if this purpose is pereisted in, the anti-Wise men will find that they are to bave the severest contest they have ever yet undertaken. Gov. Wise will not succumb to his Democratic any more than to his opposition foes.]

The National Intelligencer estimated in August last that the Government expenditures for the fiscal year would be about sixtyfive or seventy millions of dollars. The Secretary of the Treasury estimates them at a little upwards of seventy-four millions.

A scheme is proposed for an extension of the coal fields road, in Chesterfield, through Brunswick, to an intersection with the Raleigh and Gaston road.

The Cumberland Alleghanian of Saturday says, the Canal is frozen over at that point, so that navigation is pretty well suspended.

We recently noticed a letter from Gen. Case in reply to one from Mr. A. Hart, president "Toshow the very age and body of the Times." of a Hebrew congregation in Philadelphia, asking our government to intefere in behalf of the Mortara boy. Mr Hart subsequently wrote another lotter to Gen. Case calling his attention to the action of our government in in relation to the cruelties to the Jews in reason to change the views he communicated in his first letter, which were to the effect that the abduction of the Mortara boy took place within the territories of an independent power, and without affecting the rights of any American citizen-under such eireumstancee to abetain from all interference, as they expect other nations to abstain from all interference in the internal concerns of this coun-

A meeting of a large number of persons representing the iron interest in a number of One and Kentucky counties, was held in Portsmouth. Ohio, on the 21. Aiter an animated discussion of the present condition of the iron business of the country, the total inprices for supplies and labor, and sell pig iron at the present rates; the causes of the ow price of iron and the proper remedy to

be applied, the meeting Resolved, that an united and strenuous effort be made at the approaching session of Congress, to obtain such a modification of the act of Congress, as will afford more adequate protection to our manufacturers against the importation of foreign iron, and thereby se- ing and duller industry, has taken upon himcure more uniformity and stability in the self to be Humboldt's biographer, without price of iron in the country.

One of Judge Douglas's special friends, Mr. Morris, of Illinois, has given notice of bills to the H use, which have already excited much comment. One of these provides or filed away by the German Boswell. that the people of a Territory shall exercise the same rights as those of a State, in elecwhile the Federal Government is to defray the entire expenses, or in other words to pay the piper, without the privilege of dancing. This is the last phase of Squatter Sovereignty, and very much in keeping with some thers which have preceded it. The same member proposes a modification of the naturalization laws, to the effect, substantially, that naturalization can be perfected before any State court of record, and authorizing the declaration of intention merely to be exercised as the qualification of a voter.

Confidence in manufacturing property ap nears to be strengthening, especially at the East. The subscriptions to the new company, "Washington Mills," exceeds the required amount-\$1 500,000. The New England pects and evidences of returning prosperity.

The return of the steamship Washington from her attempt to re-open the Nicaragua Transit route, and the details of that enterprise, fully confirm the fears of the gather ing difficulties that await us on the American Isthmus, and in the "American Mediterra-

Senator Douglas left New Orleans on the 12th for New York, on his way to Washington. He was escorted to the steamer by the Mayor and a large concourse of citizens. A salute of one hundred guns was fired great enthusiasm prevailed.

In St. Louis, on the 8th instant, Henry Linhoff, a respectable German, killed Doctor Edward Van Der Roecke, for having deceived his sister. Ductor Van Der R. had another wife living when he married the sister of Linhoff.

The Post office at New Haven, was robbed last week, by two men, who called for and obtained the letters in the box of the Mechanics' Bank. The robbers were subsequently caught.

The Mobile Tribune says that ex Senator of the Times of Aaron Burr and Alexander Hamilton.

From Washington.

WASHINGTON, December 12.-The recent intelligence from Nicaragea has produced much excitement bere. While the boarding of the steamship Washington by British officers is discredited by gentlemen in high official position, others believe it, regarding it as a revival of the right of search, and threatening the most serious complications. The President will send to the Senate this week for confirmation, the appointment of certain officers whose cases were investigated by the naval courts of inquiry.

Mr. English will shortly introduce in the House a bill providing conditions for the fu-

ture admission of States into the Union. The contracts for blankets and dry goods for the Indian Department has, after long controversy, been awarded to S. B. Chittenden & Co., New York. The controversy was between them and Cronin, Hurzthal & Sears, the old contractors. It was sought to rule out the former on the ground that Chittenden & Co's bid was ambiginous and conditional, inasmuch as after its specification of prices to each spicle there was appended the words "d duct three and a naif per cent, trade discount." It is said that the amount of blankets and dry goods turnished last year amounted to \$300,000.

The Mobile Register of Thursday last, received here to-night, contains a letter signed W R. C. Webster, written from New York, in April, 1857, to parties in Nicaragus, which was obtained in Nicaragua and forwarded to Mobile f r rublication. It refers to the "black mailing" of sixteen newspapers opposing Walker, and says-"I am determined to push matters with the cabinet to prevent the sailing of the fillbusters." The Register's herd og is "S artling Developments."

The Superintendent of Public Printing has awarded the contracts for supplying paper of the first, fifth and sixth classes to Messrs Megare & Brothers, of Philadelphia; second class to Messrs. Miller, Hines & Co., of Co lumbus, Ohio; third and fourth classes to Mesers, Grant, Warren & Co , of Boston, and theseventh class to W. Vanderhooven, of New

Affairs at Nicaragua.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12 .- Some further facts in regard to the proceedings at San Juan, Nicaragua, of the British naval force, in visiting and obstructing the American steam-Washington, have transpired. Com. McIntesh, commander of our squadron, remonstrated against the conduct of the officers of the Valorous and Leopard, and stated that further visits would not be permitted. Only one hundred and thirty nine of the Washington's passengers went across the Panama

Henry Laselle, telegraph operator at Panama, a native of the United States, died at

Panama on the 13th ult. WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The President is tieb in Nicaragua. A strong naval force is ded upon such bonds as may be presented at true—and we have no doubt, also, of the soon to be ordered there and to the Gulf.

The N. Y. Express speaks the sentiments of all parts of the country when it says, "Her Majesty has never sent a representative more arrived here this evening. acceptable to this Government, and this people, than Lord Napier; and, even if his with-1840, during Mr. Van Buren's administration, drawal should turn out to be, as the Globe (anti-ministerial) delicately hints, "a change Damascus. To this second letter of Mr. Hart in due course of diplomatic promotion," we General Case responds, that he can find no cannot but contemplate his transfer from Washington as a proceeding peculiarly inopportuge.

It is understood that some colored men, formerly of Philadelphia and lately engaged in commercial business in Liberia, are in it was the settled policy of the United States | negotiation, with fair promise of success, for a vessel and carg : to enter into the trade permanently intending not only to have a reguhir packet from New York to Monrovia, but an auxiliary steam propeller on the coast to go down to Lagos and intermediate ports and collect cargo. They propose to sail as early as February, and hope to take some respectable and valuable families with them.

Several of the large foundries located about Troy, New York, ceased operations for atility of the furnace men to pay the present says that these establishments generally close at this time, for the winter, to take account of stock, & ... but their suspension of work is earlier than usual this year. They President of the French Republic, is dead. will probably resume active operations about the 1st of April. One or two foundries are only kept running all winter.

A Berlin letter to the Boston Journal says: 'A German litterateur, of much dull learnhaving any special qualifications for the task. He has attached himself, burrlike to Humboldt, and will not be shaken off. Every word from the old man's lips, every letter be writes, is eagerly caught up and chronicled,

The statement purporting to be taken from a late letter from Fort Leavenworth respectting Governors, Judges and all other officers, log the murder of Major Emory and eight men of his command, near Fort Arbuckle, meets with no credit whatever at the War Department, which has advices direct from that officer of a later date than could possibly have been received by way of Fore Leavenworth.

The Grand Jury of Williamsburg, Va., found an indictment for libel against the editor of the Williamsburg Gazette, because he had published a card over a responsible signature, and paid for as an advertisement, wich related to a citizen of that place. The judge dismissed the case, says the Norfolk Examiner, as unworthy the attention of the

It is estimated by the Evening Post that the consumption of opium in New York is equal to two ounces annually to each adult inhabitant. The quantity passing through the custom house amounts to one hun- hour. dred thousand pounds annually, and it is swallowed in a variety of forms. It is stated that it is used much by judges, lawyers, and

The Agricultural Department of the United States Patent Office is in receipt of intelligence which goes far to demonstrate the comparative worthlessness of the "Imphee" a sacharine plant similar to the Chinese Sirgho, which has been introduced, and experi-

Jacob Shuster, alias Tom Hand, who has figured so extensively in the police annals of this country for the last twenty years, was again before Resorder Eneu in Philadelphia on Thursday, on the charge of making and passing counterfeits on the Delaware county

A number of gentlemen met in New York last week to perfect measures for raising the amount needed to secure the endowment of \$200,000 for the Union Theological Seminary. The evening was very inclement, and out few were in attendance, vet \$15,000 were subscribed towards the \$40,000

During the last two weeks the sore throat disease has raged in Kington, N. Y., and in that short time many children have been carried to their graves after a short illness. I: is called there, "sore throat disease," from the fact that it operates much like croup. A

very high tever is one of the symptoms. The burning of the depot of the New York and Harlem Railroad Company has caused a loss of about seventy thousand dollars, two-thirds of which only was covered by insurance. Three men were seriously injured by an explosion of gas, and the fall-

ing of a portion of the roof. The Coroner's Jury in the case of the prisoner who was showered to death in the Auburn State Prison last week, have returned a verdict that he died from causes unknown, and exonerating the keepers from all

The City Coppeil of Norfolk has unanimously adopted a preamble and accompanying resolutions intended to prepare the way for the establishment of the proposed line of steamers to St. Nazaire, at the mouth of the

The total number of Indian warriors now in Florids, are, all told, but thirty-five men. and it is supposed that they, with all their the government with his conductor opinions emigrate in less than two months, always excepting Sam Jones!

Mr. Ulmann, proprietor and director of the New York Academy of Music, has tendered the splendid orchestra of Musard for a grand Ball to be given in Richmond, under he patronage of the ladies of the Mouat Vernon Association.

A splendid service of plate is to be presented to Roger A. Pryor as a testimonial of appreciation of his distinguished services in French fleet will leave on the 19th of Decemsecuring the nomination of John Letcher for

Wilburn Waters, the "Hermit of Pond Mountain," whose disappearance was noticed having slain one of the largest bears ever seen in South-western Virginia.

The Pascong woolen mill, at Providence, R. I. was burnt last week. The dye-house, wheel-house, picker-house and stone house were saved. These were insured for \$3,000, ties with Mexico are adjusted. and the stock for \$10,000.

Some of the farmers in Northern Ohio and on the borders of Indiana, have commenced they do sheep, and they bring them to market; hence the plentitude of venison. Wm. S. White, of Caroline, has sold his

farm, about seven miles below Fredericksburg, containing about four hundred and fifty acres, to Euguene Baker, esq , for the sum of six thousand dollars.

The creditors of the State of Illinois are notified that on the 1st of January next, nine hundred thousand dollars will be divi- The first of these statements is certainly the State Comptroller's office.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMER PERSIA Later from Europe.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12. The steamer Persia, from Liverpool, with dates to the 27th ult.,

Lord Napier's recall has not yet been officially announced. The Daily News says it Berlin mission. The reported successor of pal consignees are as follows: Wells, Fargo is understood that he will be promoted to the Lord Napier at Washington, succeeds to & Co., \$325,000; American Exchange Bank, thought it necessary to commence his mest other war munitions from her stores. Nat the title of Lord Lyons, by the death of his father.

The rate of insurance on the overdue steamer Indian Empire, has been advanced to 40 per cent.

Five miles of the shore end of the Atlantic cable have been successfully laid and spliced to the deep sea portion of the line. The Galway steamship line has contracted

of great speed, to be ready by next summer. Montalembert's trial occupied only half a day. Berryer and Dufaure made brilliant and spirited speeches in his defence. The London papers publish the beads of the speeches, but the French press is silent, except that they give the result. He was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and to pay a fine of 3,000 francs. The editor of the season, last Saturday night. The Whig the Correspondent was sentenced to one month's imprisonment, and 1,000 france fine. The verdict caused a slight depression in the funds at Paris and Lundon.

M. Boulay de la Maurthe, formerly Vice-Senor Res D'Olano has been appointed Captain-General of Cubs. Gen. Conchs remains, however, at Havana, till the Mexican

dispute shall have been settled. The Prussian elections have resulted largey in favor of the new ministry.

The Bank of Frankfort has reduced its rates of discount to 4 per cent. The Conard Company will send the screw steamer Karnak to New York direct, on the 4th. She will carry the mails between New York and Nassau

It is considered certain that the Great Eastern will make her first trip to Portland in midsummer. The British Board of Trade returns show a

decrease in the exports of Ostober, as compared with last year, of £717,000 sterling. It is stated that one of the young Princes will visit Canada.

It is regretted by the Atlantic Telegraph Company that the remaining seven miles of the shore end of the cable at Greenwich were not brought to Valentia. It is evident that the result would have been satisfactory, as after passing the spot where the shore end as just laid, terminates, some of the men in of the small cable, discovered a kink leaving the conducting wire exposed to the water .--This defective part was cut out, and it is probable that other defects would have been discovered bad they have had more of the larger cable and proceeded further. The shore end had not been tested since it was laid down, at the last accounts from Valentia.

The new steamers ordered by the Galway line are to be side-wheel steamers capable of a minimum speed of twenty miles per

Austria is said to have protested against the vehement policy of the Sardinian Cabinet. The Chinese Imperial Commissioners had arrived at Shanghai, to arrage the tariff, &c., as provided by the recent treaty.

THE MARKETS.-LIVERPOOL. Nov. 27 .- Cotton-Sales of the week 10,000 bales, including 5,000 bales to speculators and 2,500 bales for export. Middling qualities have declined 1-16 and interior qualities 1d. Sales of Friday estimated at 1,000 bales for speculation and export. mented upon in various portions of the coun- The market closed quiet. New Orleans fair 72. | titles of goods by false invoices, representing middling 7; Mobile fair 74, middling 62, Up them at the Custom House at much less than should speak fearlessly and honestly. Let land fair 74. middling 64 Stock in port esti- the actual value. The value of the good- is the Hon. R. M. Hunter, the great financial mated at 297,000 bales, including 216,000 bales said to be \$50,000. A special agent was sent American.

STATE OF TRADE -The advices from Manchester are favorable, the market closing quiet but steady.

Breadstuffs - The market is dull. Flour-Western canal 19@20s; Philadelphia and Baltimore 20@21s; Ohio 21@24s Wheat-Red Western 5s 6J@6s 3d; white 6s@6s 3d; Southern 6s 6d@7s. Corn-Mixed 28s; yellow 29s; white 30s@31s 6d.

Richardson, Spence & Co quote: Flour is very dull. Prices easier, but quotations unchanged. Wheat dull, but steady Corn has a declining tendency, and quotations are nominal at 30@31s 6d for white.

Provisions .- The market has a declining ten-

Produce.-Sugar is firm, and all qualities have slightly advanced. Coffee is steady.

LONDON MARKETS — Messrs. Baring Brothers quote: Breadstuffs are steady Sugars are firm at 6d advance. Coffee is firm. Rice firm and 3d higher. Spirits Turpentine steady at 39s fid. American Securities .- The market generally inchanged.

Consols 984 for money and account. Bullion in the Bank of England has increased £141.000 sterling

The money market is slightly easier LATEST-LIVERPOOL, SATURDAY NOON .- Sales of Cotton to day estimated at 6,000 bales; the market closes flat. Breadstuffs and Provisions close generally unchanged.

There were no tidings of the steamer Fultor at Southampton to-day.

Foreign Items.

New York, Dec. 12 .- The Paris Correspondent of the London Post states that dispatches from Sir. Wm. Gore Ouseley at Nicaragua, report a perfect understanding between England and France to support the independence | hand would be an interesting subject for of Nicaragus. A small English equadron is to be stationed for the present at Panama. The Lendon Globe says that the removal of Napier from Washington, is one in the regular course of diplomatic promotion, and arises from no dissatisfaction on the part of squaws and children, will be induced to in the United States. So far from censuring bim, his government considers that his zeal and abilities entitle him to their best consider-

Important reductions have taken place in

the Austrian army. Several large commercial houses at Havre have petitioned the European governments to interfere in the affairs of Mexico. Denoistoun aunounces the intention to complete the entire equidation of his liabilities on the 30th November.

Advices from Paris report that the Anglo ber, for the Gulf of Mexico. The French fleet have on board a battery of artillery, in order to oppose the filibusters of America. There are an immonse number of reform meetings in progress in England Reports a few days since, has returned to his home, respecting the new bill are numerous and conflicting. It is understood that the ministers are unable to agree on any satisfactory

scheme. A Madrid dispatch states that Senor Ros Olano has been appointed Governor of Coba. Concha, however, remains until the difficul-

Insurance companies in England are asking fifty per cent on the Indian Empire. The London Times applauds President Buchanan's anti-filibuster proclamation, and the breeding and raising deer the same as the editorial of the Washington Union on the subject. It also rejoices that Mr. Buchanan has discarded his Ostend viewe.

> In a discussion at Alexandria, a few days since, between ex Governor Smith and his competitor, Mr. Snackelford, the former stated that he could have been elected Speaker of the House in 1855 if the Democrats had voted for him; and, furthermore, that many of them declared that they would sconer see a Black Republican elected then himself .--

Further from California. New York, Dec. 12 -- The steamer Moses

left there on the 4th inst. The preminent points in her advices from

already been received

and nearly \$1,200,000 in gold. The princi- ment by the Democracy of Virginia. Co., \$82 000

The overland mail of Oat, 25th, arrived sengers and the advices had been anticipated by the Tehuantepec route.

It appears upon investigation that \$90 -000 worth of California State warrants had been issued which were not recorded on the for three new steamers of the first class, and books The European advices of the 16th of Octo-

ber, reached San Francisco via Tehusntepec on the 14th ult. The San Francisco markets had been unsettled, but signs of improvement began to appear by the close of the last fortnight. Money was unchanged in rates and plenti-

The receipts of gold dust from the mines were about as usual at this season, and the accounts from the mining regions were encouraging. An unusual number of diggers ditional recrimination, are alone sufficient to were employed at higher wages. Up to the 5th, one hundred and forty of the

Washington's passengers had succeeded in getting passage on board the steamer Sonora, bound to San Francisco.

The Panama Herald says that the action of the British officers in boarding the steamer Washington had been remonstrated against by Commander Melotosh, of the American to be. On this point, Virginia statesmen squadron, who stated that he would not permit any more such visits.

Aboltshing a Supreme Court.

One way to get rid of unpalatable court decisions is to abolish the court itself-kill the hen that lays the eggs. Many persons to whom the Dred Scott decision was so obnoxious were eager to abolish the Uni- do, we are prepared to stand firm in the adted States Supreme Court. Judge Danio, of New York, brought down upon his head ted, not to purposes of so-called "protecthe reprehension of a large part of the community because he gave his decision in ac- sufficient to meet necessary governmental excordance with his convictions. More recently, in Georgia, a decision was rendered in a certain bank case adversely to the popular opinion, which has resulted in the arraignment of the delinquents before the Legislature of the State. A resolution was introduced into the Senate advising and requesttheir anxiety to continue the underrunning ing the Judges to resign their seats, on the appropriate the property of this Confederaground that their decision was not in secordance with the policy of the State, and was adverse to the popular opinion. It caused considerable excitement, but was at length table i by a considerable majority.

Such a procedure is tantamount to a declaration that court decisions, in matters of cities at the North may well favor a bankcontroversy, should be given in accordance rupt law, the consequence of which will newith the popular clamer of the day, and not in conformity to the behasts of the law; but | whole monetary power of the country. A it is a dang rous precedent. The Supreme Court is the great bulwark of our safety, and | persuaded to favor appropriations to internal the attempt to overrule its decisions is a re- | improvements, of which they will be the volutionary step towards subverting the great | immediate recipients. Turbulent spirits principles of our Government.-N Y. Jour. from Baltimore to New Orleans may rejoice

Fraud on the Revenue.

A few days ago the Treasury Department received information from a gentleman residing at Providence, R. I., that Mr. John Lloyd, a merchant doing business in that place bad been in the habit of introducing large quanby the Treasury Department to examine the take his position on these questions before natter, and a warrant was issued by Judge Bette for Lloyd's apprehension. He was arrested by the United States Marshal of Reeds Island, and his ball was fixed at \$5,000, which he procured and was liberated. Surveyor Hart subsequently went to Rhode Island and examined Mr. Lloyd's books, which resulted in two civil suits being instituted against Lloyd by the United States, for the recovery of \$25,000 in each. He was orderto find bail in the sum of \$12 000 in each suit, and in default of procuring it he was placed in the custody of Marshal Rynders. where he still remains .- New York Tribune

How to Collect Testimony.

In the Thirteenth ward are sold the most dangerous beverages in town. A lew weeks since a man drank three cents worth of trandy, which proved fatal in four hours. But somebow the law has failed to reach the mat ter. Capt. Steers having reported a number of instances of liquor selling on the Sabbath, the court required such positive testimony, relative to the character of the liquor and its sale, that the prosecutions failed. The Inspector of the Thirteenth precinct was deter mined not to be b filed by any device of magistrates, and took a plan to procure the most conclusive testimony. He sent out policemen to report violations of the law, providing them with vials, and when they saw anybody drink and pay for liquor, they took a portion of the same, put it in a vial, seeled it up, and marked on it the time and place of sale. These were taken by the Captain to be handed to the court, for the jury to determine the character of their contonts, whether camphene or drinketle liquor. The collection now on

chemical analysis -- N. Y. Post. MAN WITH HIS HEART ON THE RIGHT SIDE or his Body .-- A day or two ago a man died who had been for some months an inmate of one of our hospitals, and whose disease had exhibited such peculiar and unknown symptoms as to beffle the greatest skill of the best physicians. Under the circumstances it was deemed advisable to make a post-mortem examination, when it was found that in the disphram was a large bole and that the intestines had been forced up, and had pressed the heart from its natural position over to the right side of his body, where it bad performd its functions for several years, the man labor only for the last few months. How the patient could have survived such a length of time with such a subverted system is marvellous, and is the first instance of the kind. we understand, that has come to the knowledge of the medical profession -- Cincinnati Enquirer.

The Washington correspondent of the her running. Philadelphia Press saye: "I know already two Republican Senators who intend to denounce, on the flor of the Senate, the Ro sheater appeals of Governor Seward, and I take it for granted they are not all of that party who will do so. You may readily imagine the moral effect upon the party itself, as well as upon its opponents, of such denunciatione from its prominent leaders. Talleyrend, alluding to the execution of the Duke d'Enghien, said, "it was more than a crime, it was a mistake" Something of the kind might be said of Governor Seward's speech."

How folks differ! We chew tobacco. The Hindoo tak s to lime. The children of this country delight in candy, those of Africa in rock salt. A Frenchman "gies his length" on fried frogs, while an E-quimaux Indian thinks t llow the climax of luxuries!

SINGING SCHOOL -Mr. B. F. DENNIS will commence his class, on Tuesday evening, at 71 o'clock, at the corner of Royal and

Juvenile School, on Saturday, December 11th. at 3 o'clock. Tickets to be had at Bookstore of James Entwiele & Son.

The President's Message.

We have carefully considered the contents Taylor, from Aspinwall, has arrived here-- of this document, and before entering into a must premise by avowing that, in our opit-California, which are to the 20th ult., have faith, laid down in the platform of the Dem- on board the frigate, which were human-

\$175,000; Howland & A-pinwall, \$110,000; sage with a long and labored review of the more prominence than it merited or requir- eral American vessels being closely watched ed. Moreover, it presents nothing which by British craisers. has not already and repeatedly been discussed and even denied, and seems to insist too stringently on one side of a question, which has at least been acknowledged to possess two sides, and on which the Democracy are divided, without a present prospect of the reconciliation of opposing views. It not intended as a mere personal vindication, then this part of the Message must certainly be considered as worse than useless. Assuredly it was not required in any manner to guide the deliberations of the present Congress. At all events, it re-opens an old sore, which time and the careful avoidance of adbeal.

> The proposition for a Federal bankrupt act, which is to give the General Government immediate and paramount control over State corporations, we are obliged to say, is as un- department. I enumerate a few of each class of constitutional and as dangerous to State sovereighty as Mr. Calhoun ever described it to owe it to their own traditions to meet the proposal of the Executive with a firm denial.

Equally opposed are we to any retrograde step which proposes to introduce specific instead of ad valorem tariff duties. Indeed, in our judgment, the ordinary expenses of the Government require no elevation of the present rates of tariff duties. And if they vocacy of a strictly ad valurem tariff, adaption," but entirely to raising a revenue just

And we are obliged again to protest against any federal appropriation of land or money to works of internal improvement .-However desirable a Pacific Railroad may be, we recognize no necessity for its construction, sufficient to authorize Congress to tion of States to any purposes not prescribed by the Constitution.

We are well aware that our strict obser vance of the political landmarks of our fathers will meet with much opposition from many sections. The interests of our large cessarily be to concentre in their hands the targe portion of the western people may be in the prospect of a limities field of territorial conquest. Manufacturers may still entertain the delusive belief that their interests are best secured at the expense of their neighbors. Still, we will stand by what we believe to be the dectrines of the Constitution, and what we know to be the doctrines of our fathers.

It is time that every man in Virginia leader of the United States Senate, at once

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